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DR. ELLIS A. FULLER

DR. FULLER DISCUSSES FOUR QUESTIONS

"Is Death the End?" is one of the four questions of supreme concern today which will be discussed by Dr. Ellis A. Fuller on the Baptist Hour on the four Sunday mornings in June, as announced by the Radio Committee, S. B. C., S. F. Lowe, director, Atlanta, Georgia.

The other three questions Dr. Fuller will discuss, according to Mr. Lowe are:

June 3, "How Can a Man Be Born Again?"

June 17, a special broadcast for young people, "What Lack I Yet?"

June 24, "Does Jesus Care?"

Dr. Fuller is president of the Southern Baptist Seminary of Louisville, Kentucky, and is recognized as one of the ablest speakers in America, and is in constant demand as revivalist and assembly speaker.

The Baptist Hour can be heard in Mississippi over Radio Stations WCBI, Columbus; WSLI, Jackson, and WREC, Memphis, at 7:30 a. m. (CWT).

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Baptist Papers Have Over 500,000

Circulation Campaign Has Goal Of
1,000,000 Subscribers
Louie D. Newton, Chairman

At the Baltimore Convention in 1940 the editors of the eighteen State Baptist papers requested the Convention to appoint a committee to work jointly with the editors and committees of the respective state conventions in promoting the circulation of these papers, the total circulation at that time being 190,683.

The present circulation of 543,736 would be much larger but for the curtailment of print paper, due to the war. It is the hope of this committee that we may continue this vital matter until we reach a total circulation of 1,000,000 subscribers to our State Baptist papers.



DR. D. A. McCALL

Dr. McCall In Alaska

Dr. D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Board, left recently on a three weeks trip to Alaska. Because of government regulations we are permitted to use neither dates nor places. But for these restrictions The Baptist Record would have reported his trip in last week's issue.

While away Dr. McCall plans to visit the Baptist work in Alaska and will preach in some of the churches. When he returns a fuller account of his trip will be printed.

Foreign Board Has 504 Missionaries

M. Theron Rankin

Executive Secretary, Richmond, Va.

In giving a picture of the present situation, Secretary Rankin says we have 504 active missionaries under appointment who are assigned for work in nineteen separate national areas. In seven Latin American countries we have 203 missionaries; 151 of these are now on the field.

We have 71 missionaries in the Nigerian Mission in Africa, 33 are now at work in that country.

Assignments for Europe are: Hungary, 1; Italy, 2; Rumania, 4; Russia, 2; Spain, 1; Yugoslavia, 2. Of these, one is now in Italy, one in Spain, three in Egypt on their way to Yugoslavia.

We have 201 missionaries assigned to five major missions in China. Only twelve of these are now in that land.

We have at present only seven missionaries assigned to Japan none of whom are now in that country. In our rapidly-growing undertaking in the Hawaiian Islands, our staff of 23 workers consists of 23 of the 201 missionaries assigned to China, and three of the seven who are assigned to Japan.

This staff of 504 missionaries is inadequate to meet the minimum needs.

Epochal Southern Baptist Conventions

By E. C. Routh, Editor
The Commission

I have been asked to write an article on "Epochal Southern Baptist Conventions"—meetings which were milestones in the development of Southern Baptists interests and institutions. Here are some of the epochal conventions:

The First Convention

1845.—The first convention was organized in Augusta, in May 1845. The decision of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Triennial Convention that no one could be appointed as a missionary who owned slaves, was not the only reason for the call to organize in the South a society for the propagation of the gospel. It was difficult to enlist Southern Baptists in the work of a mission board in far-away Boston. Furthermore, there was more or less feeling that the South was being neglected in the missionary work of the Triennial Convention. The Augusta Convention in 1845 was the beginning of a new era of cooperative missionary effort by Baptists in the South.

1857.—In connection with the sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention which met in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1857, was held an Edu-

cational Convention to which Dr. James P. Boyce, professor in the Theological Department of Furman University, brought a proposition from the South Carolina Baptist State Convention that a general theological seminary be established at Greenville, South Carolina. This proposition was accepted by the Educational Convention at Louisville. The Southern Seminary opened at Greenville in October, 1859, with the immortal four, Boyce, Broadus, Manley and Williams, constituting the faculty.

1866.—The Convention meeting in
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Home Board Adds 153 Missionaries

J. B. Lawrence

Executive Secretary, Atlanta, Ga.

During the past year, the Board added 153 missionaries to our force; opened 82 mission stations; acquired 54 pieces of mission property. During the year the missionaries distributed over 29,000 Bibles, Testaments and portions of the scripture. They gave out more than 1,900,000 tracts; they delivered over 53,000 sermons and addresses; they led more than 15,000 people to Christ, and received into the fellowship of the church 11,911 members. The Board has today 642 missionaries preaching the gospel to the Indians, Mexicans, Spanish-Americans, the Jews, the Italians, the French, the Cubans, the Chinese, the Russians, the under-privileged in the crowded industrial sections and slums in forty of the great cities in the territory of the Convention, in thirteen states in co-operation with the state mission boards, to the millions of Negroes in the homeland, the boys in

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Sunday School Board Receipts Total \$4,157,884

T. L. Holcomb

Executive Secretary, Nashville

As we enter another century, we restate some fundamentals supporting and guiding the Sunday School Board in all of its work. We reaffirm our belief in the Bible as the authoritative Word of God. We are united in our stand for the Bible as the textbook of the Sunday school. We think of the Sunday school as a church agency set to help build the churches and to be used in getting the work of the churches accomplished.

In 1845, the year the Southern Baptist Convention was organized, Southern Baptists reported 468 Sunday

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Eleven were baptized at First church, Winona, on Sunday, May 20 and two await baptism.

-Sparks & Splinters-

A total of 8,902 ministers have received their training at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, in the 86 years since the opening of the seminary, in 1859, according to figures announced by Dr. Hugh R. Peterson, registrar and student counsellor. The 87th annual session of the seminary will open Tuesday, September 11.

Erwin L. McDonald, publicity director of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, writes: "In spite of the paper shortage, you are continuing to give Mississippi Baptists a great paper."

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. Paul Z. Ball and Mrs. Ball, New Augusta; Dr. W. R. Cooper, Tylertown; Dr. Walter L. Johnson, Philadelphia; Rev. G. W. Smith, Pelahatchie; Carlisle Bargeson, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Bryan Simmons, Heidelberg; Rev. J. B. Gordon, Jackson; Dev. D. O. Horne, Monticello; Rev. Evon Ingram, Magee; Rev. W. A. Trotman, Long Beach; W. F. Haley, Long Beach; Rev. Liston Draughn, Hurley; Rev. L. W. Ferrell, Jackson; Rev. R. L. Wallace, Raymond; Dr. G. S. Dobbins, Louisville, Ky.; Dorothy Harris, Jackson; Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Dr. and Mrs. William Potter, Carthage; Rev. S. W. Valentine, Newton; Miss Anne Virginia Barcliff, Vicksburg; Paul Barcliff, Vicksburg; Dr. Charles Treadway, Cleveland.

Crowder: Less than a year ago there were 54 enrolled and 57 present in our Training Union. On May 20, 1945 we had 102 enrolled and 120 in attendance. Mrs. H. E. Tedford is the director. In the same period our Sunday school enrollment has grown from 80 to 156. On May 20 there were 162 present. J. O. Woods is Sunday school superintendent.—Lloyd Shelton, pastor.

Dr. W. Morris Ford has resigned the First church, Jackson, Tenn., to accept the call of the First church, Longview, Texas. (Editor's note: Dr. Ford married Miss Lola Ivey Smith, daughter of Deacon and Mrs. Varda Smith of New Albany.

In a recent issue it was stated that several young people of Palestine church, Simpson county helped raise \$7.65 for Home and Foreign Missions. One figure dropped out. The correct amount was \$37.65 and the young people were: Monteel McDonald, William Bell, Jr., Joan Garrett, Junior Barron, George S. Mitchell and Walter S. Mitchell.

The Baptist and Reflector (Tenn.) reports that Dr. F. F. Brown and the First Baptist Church, Knoxville, have been assisted in a revival by Dr. J. Leo Green, head of the department of Hebrew and Old Testament at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. There were 105 additions to the church. (Dr. Green is a Mississippian and a graduate of Mississippi College.)

We had 97 present in Sunday school at White Oak church, Smith county on May 20. We took an offering for the Cooperative Program which amounted to \$57. The contractor says he will complete our new building in 40 or 50 days. We raised the last \$1,000 needed for our \$7,000 building in about ten minutes. The close of this year will complete my fortieth year with this church.—D. W. Moulder.

Waco, Texas—Prof. Chester Swor, long time professor of English and dean of men at Mississippi College and more recently giving his time as a

counsellor of youth, was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Humanistic Letters by Baylor University on the occasion of her 100th commencement here Monday, May 28.

T. Lee Anderton, of Sheffield, Ala., a 1945 graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has accepted a position with the church architectural department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Anderton studied art at Howard College, Birmingham, where he received his A.B. degree in 1941. He was ordained to the ministry in 1941 by the First Baptist Church, Sheffield.

Dr. Ernest L. Ackley, dean and professor of Old Testament Interpretation at Central Theological Seminary, Kansas City, has been selected by the board to serve as acting president until a president has been selected to fill this vacancy caused by the recent death of the president.

We moved to Summerland May 10. They gave us a hearty welcome and we found a pantry well stocked with groceries. We are making big plans for the future.

Miss Elvie Duke of Adaton church, Oktibbeha county, recently sent a nice club of subscriptions. These names helped us over the 51,000 mark.

The Centennial Offering at First church, West Point, amounted to \$616. The goal was \$500.

Mrs. James R. Goff, Baptist Record representative of Lucedale, recently sent some renewal subscriptions, which helped us stay above the 51,000 mark.

According to Mrs. Roy Smith, superintendent, the Intermediate Sunday school department at Wesson enjoyed the radio breakfast and the address of Dr. Dodd. Two of the three classes are standard.

First church, Pass Christian is celebrating the beginning of full-time service with a full week of services. Sunday services will be in charge of the pastor, Rev. W. E. Allen. Week night services will be led by Rev. P. S. Dodge, Rev. G. C. Hodge, Rev. Warwick Allen, Mrs. N. H. Eudaly and Dr. H. T. Brookshire.

Several pastors have said that they would send the Record to their members in the armed services, but keeping addresses correct would be too much trouble. The Baptist Record takes care of that trouble. Send us their names and addresses, and future changes of address come to us through the post office department.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Messer will assist Rev. Ira F. Marks at Plaquemine (La.) during the summer. They are from Toomsba church, Lauderdale county, and are students at B. B. I.

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Brigadier General Luther D. Miller has taken over the duties of acting chief of chaplains until June, when he will become the chief of chaplains, succeeding Major General William R. Arnold.

JOHNS IS NUMBER 783

Earl Gill, church clerk of the newly organized Johns church, Rankin county, has sent an EVERY FAMILY list. This helped us over the 51,000 mark.

Rev. Gordon Sansing serves this church in connection with his work at Brandon.

Rankin county Record readers are now listed as follows: ANTIOCH 50, Barefoot 1, BRANDON 57, BRIAR HILL 45, CATO 43, CLEAR BRANCH 73, PUCKETT 41, CONCORD 12, COUNTY LINE 47, EAST SIDE 8, Galilee 1, HICKORY RIDGE 23, JOHNS 14, LEESBURG 42, MIZPAH 32, MOUNTAIN CREEK 22, OAKDALE 38, PEARSON 22, PELAHATCHIE 69, PISGAH 43, Rehobeth 3, RICHLAND 55, ROCK HILL 13, STEEN'S CREEK 92, UNION 30, Whitfield 1, STAR 47, BETHEL 13, LIBERTY 17, Line Creek 1, Dry Creek 4, PEAL CITY 28.

Montreat, N. C.—(RNS)—The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States (Southern) will be asked at its 85th session here May 24-30 to enlarge its efforts in the field of radio broadcasting. The recommendation will be made by a special committee appointed at the last general assembly, which will urge appointment of a full-time director of radio, setting up of a \$50,000 budget to become effective in 1936-47, and establishment of a regular Presbyterian Hour to be broadcast over a network serving the entire area embraced by the denomination.

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—The executive committee of the Baptist World Alliance will probably meet in London, England, during the first week in August, according to notice received by American members from Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president. The meeting will make plans for the next world conference of the Alliance and for relief work in war-torn European areas.

Atlanta—"So alarming is the shortage in the chaplain corps of the army, that every congregation, every minister both in and out of uniform should be aroused to action." These words, spoken recently by Chaplain Edward R. Carter, Jr., Deputy Theatre Chaplain for the European Theatre of Operations, reflect a situation that is as serious today on the home front as it is in the fighting zones abroad, according to advice just received from Fourth Service Command Headquarters in Atlanta.

New York—(RNS)—Record financial support of more than one million dollars to the American Bible Society by living contributors was reported at the society's 129th annual meeting here. Contributions to the regular work of the society totaled \$611,947 during 1944, and to the war emergency fund, \$423,010. The society reported an all-time record circulation of 12,403,541 Bibles, Testaments, Gospels, and other Bible portions during 1944. Of these, 7,170,669 were distributed among the armed forces, 3,615,020 in Latin America, and 306,109 to prisoners of war.

Blue Mountain Graduates 48

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 28—The seventy-second annual commencement of Blue Mountain College began Sunday with the baccalaureate sermon preached by Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, La., and closed today with Dr. Harry Leland Martin, Senatobia, making the commencement address.

Forty-eight graduates received the bachelor of arts degree. The diplomas were presented by President Lawrence T. Lowrey upon recommendation of Dean Ernest H. Cox.

Dr. McCall advised the graduates to keep their minds and hearts on "The Risen Christ," and to heed His precepts.

Dr. Martin told the young women that their lives would be messages, and pointed out the need of proper punctuation by their deeds, their attitudes, and their thoughts.

The commencement programs were preceded by a luncheon Saturday, Senior Day, in honor of the graduates, given by the local Blue Mountain Alumnae Club.

Mrs. W. H. Anderson, Booneville, president of the National Alumnae Association, was toastmistress. News of the class of 1895 was brought by Mrs. J. B. Black, Murfreesboro, Tenn., alumnae historian. Miss Bea Dawkins, Rosedale, rendered two vocal solos.

Mrs. L. M. Gatlin, Blue Mountain, gave a tribute to Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, following which Dr. Elnora Winfrey presented to the college the portrait of Dr. Lowrey that was sponsored by the Junior Alumnae Association. In behalf of the college, Dean Ernest H. Cox accepted it. Misses Jean Lowrey and Harriet Lowrey, daughter and niece of Dr. Lowrey, unveiled the portrait.

The graduates are as follows: Misses Doris Allen, Indianola; Grace Allen and Juanita Baker, Louisville; Russeleen Baldridge, Newbern, Tenn.; Gene Boyette, Sallis; Bobbie Lee Caples, Annette Cook, Jean Lowrey, and Arlene Smith, Blue Mountain; Alice Davis, Meridian; Annie Ball Davis, Marguerite Dulin, Vaiden; Bea Dawkins, Rosedale; Harriet Dickey, Milan; Lynette Duncan, Frances Horton, Mrs. Ann Witt Long, Ripley; Mamie Booth, Mathiston.

Misses Jeannetta Faires, Muscle Shoals, Ala.; Velma Griffin, Pontotoc; Violet Hendricks, Inverness; Nettie Holmes, Brooksville; Norma Jean and Carolyn Hudson, New Albany; Bradford Keene, Pensacola, Florida; Julia Lacy, Newport, Ark.; Virginia Frances Lady, Truman, Ark.; Anne Loftin, Red Banks; Edith McDaniel, Lexington; Willodean McDonnell, Summerland; Catherine Ivy Cobb, New Albany.

Misses Esther Mackey, Moscow, Tenn.; June Miller, Arlington, Va.; Helen Gay Moody, Ruby Lee Walters, Laurel; Elizabeth Morris, Newton; Mary Jo Olander, Morgan City; Clifford Ann Patterson, Silver City; Joyce Spell, Georgetown; Ruth Taylor, DeFuniak Springs, Florida; Betty Ward, Mobile, Ala.; Waurene Weatherly, Lamar; Marjorie West, Sardis; Floriene Williams, Prentiss; Sue Williams, Isola; Margaret Wilson, Starkville; Jane Wood, Selmer, Tenn., and Betty Lou McNeil, Bristol, Virginia.

Misses Edith McDaniel and Joyce Spell also received diplomas in piano. Miss Bea Dawkins received a diploma in voice, and Misses Jean Lowrey and Floriene Williams received one in speech arts.

Favorite Sermons Begin June 7th

"My Favorite Sermon" by Mississippi pastors and preached to Mississippi people will begin June 7.

Baptist Record readers will want to read this series. It will give them samples of the kind of sermons that others are hearing.

Every Mississippi pastor has been invited to submit his favorite sermon.

To get a sample of the various kinds of sermons heard in Mississippi, get ready to read "My Favorite Sermon" which starts soon.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTE—By the grace of God and the goodness of the brethren we are on a little mission trip to Alaska. Names, places, dates, and schedules are omitted at present for security reasons. You will understand that. By invitation we are to preach the gospel, and we hope be helpful, in at least two large Alaskan cities. We will later tell you how we traveled. That, also, must be omitted at present for security reasons. Yes, some danger is always involved, more so now. The needs about us are great and will not be met in fear. We have been privileged to preach His gospel in several of the states as—Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Indiana, North Carolina, New York, Tennessee, Kentucky, Washington, D. C., Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. We have preached His gospel in Palestine, India, China, Cuba, and on the Indian and Pacific oceans.

We have also heard this gospel in Missouri, Kansas, Oregon, Oklahoma, Colorado, Maryland, Arizona and Illinois. We have heard Him lifted up in Egypt, Canada and Mexico.

NOW! The thought of preaching Him, and the possibility of being some help in Alaska thrills us, lifts us! More later! Doxology now!

I
Those who believe what Jesus had to say about Judean Missions, those who pray for State Missionaries, and those who give monies in support of State Missions will appreciate the following State Mission report from one of our fine workers among the sick and suffering:

Dear Dr. McCall:

Below you will find report for the work done at Sanatorium during March: Visits to patients, 86; tracts distributed, 440; Gospels of John given to patients, 32, and sermons preached, 1.

One night one of the patients called me to come to him. When I arrived I found him dying. He told me that he had no near relatives. No father, mother, brother, sister living. That he wanted me to come and be with him as he crossed over the river. He was conscious that he was going. I remained with him and held his hand, and wiped the tears away from his eyes as he "went through the Valley" and then on into eternity. The last thing he said to me, "Preacher, I am glad that one who knows the Lord, came to me to be with me as I go into eternity. Thank you." And then in a few minutes he had gone to the great beyond.

Yours for Service,

G. O. Parker.

II
We are giving you the letter below because it expresses a fundamental in our cooperative New Testament life if we are to approach the maximum for Christ.

Dear Dr. McCall:

Enclosed you will find receipt for the six hundred and fifty-eight dollars received from your office. Things are going along very nice; enjoyed that unusually fine message yesterday.

I have been wanting to write you a letter for sometime, and I am going to take this opportunity to do it. You will never know what an inspiration the connections I have had with your office have been to me since I have been here at Clarke. You personally have been a great blessing. I want you to consider me an obligated servant to the cause of missions as sponsored by your office, and any time I can help, please do not hesitate to call on me.

I have felt for a long time that a secretary of missions could do much more if missions were the main emphasis, and to such an extent that all boards and institutions had such a relationship to the convention, as they could be used to promote the mission work. I propose to make Clarke College a servant of the mission cause in every way possible. I think that Christian education as a teaching ministry should be a subsidiary part of the mission program as the Sunday school is a subsidiary part of the church mission program. If at any time you can use this faculty, student body, or property for the cause of missions, we will not question, but gladly do what we can. Continue to pray for us. We always do for you.

Sincerely,

W. E. Greene,
President, Clarke College.

III
Chaplain James R. Smallwood, Dallas, Texas, is leaving the service and is available for work in the pastorate. He is a Mississippi man, a college and seminary man. We hope he may be brought back to Mississippi.

Our pastors and churches will do well to make large use of Rev. J. H. Street, Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood secretary, and Rev. Riley Munday, associate Mississippi B. S. U. secretary. They will press the work of their respective departments with special groups and in addition, will promote every phase of the work as they fill pulpits, conduct revivals, help in association and church schools of missions, etc. Both of them may be addressed at Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi.

Fred R. Langley, outstanding layman and deacon of First Baptist Church, Jackson, a retired business man, is giving much of his time visiting at Foster General Hospital.

Those having relatives or friends in the hospital, might write Mr. Langley at 125 Riverpark Drive, Jackson, Mississippi.

One of our chaplains writes in part as follows:

I am in receipt of a nice lot of tracts and want to take this means of thanking you for them. I like your tract, "The One Way." I shall appreciate it if you can send me at least 150 tracts dealing with alcohol. I am making intensive use of the tracts, placing one each in all barracks of officers and enlisted men. Many of the fellows are reading and discussing the tracts. We will send you check later to apply on the last of our Mississippi Baptist debt.

First Baptist Church, Columbus, packed the house of worship Sunday morning, Deacon Parsons ably presiding in the absence of Dr. Franks, pastor.

Great church, great pastor. At night a B. S. U. installation featured the service. Miss Margaret McClellan is the splendid secretary. We enjoyed the courtesies of the Dr. S. B. Platt home during the day.

The Baptist Building Committee held a second meeting and authorized a called Board meeting. A finer spirited meeting has not been held. They voted unanimously to purchase an attractive, well built, and suitable structure opposite the new capitol to house our Baptist offices. This will save \$100,000 over erecting a new building. This sort of economy and progress will delight the hearts of Mississippi Baptists.

We were at Bay Springs for a delightful morning service. Lovely house of worship. Pastor Sumrall is a progressive leader. We enjoyed the fellowship of the O. E. Ford home. Good congregation at Mossville in the afternoon. At night the folks at Russell packed the church house. Pastor Fitzgerald leads in a fine way!

Great Central Pastors' meet with wives present at dinner at First Baptist, Jackson. Good talks by the brethren only part of which we were privileged to hear. Great fellowship!

IV

Since The Baptist Record circulation soared above the 50,000 mark we have been wanting to write a paragraph of appreciation and commendation. Editor Goodrich is putting out a good paper. As a circulation manager he is without an equal. His helpers share in this fine work. The pastors and churches have been cooperative. Miss Lois Tyler and others in the mailing department have helped in keeping mailing lists up to the minute. Our printers have been helpers. Postal workers have been sympathetic. It is the story of everybody pulling together! Doxology!

V

"And he (Uzziah) sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God; and as long as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper." II. Chron. 27:5. Baptists need to note the truths of this verse. Baptists need to seek the Lord. Baptists need understanding in the visions of God. Baptists need to realize that as they seek the Lord, the blessings and prosperity of God follow!

When we see the manipulation, the scheming, the conniving in church and denominational circles sometimes, we can see why the wells of God's blessings dry up! Frequently the Lord is not being sought, but some fellow wants his own way and wants it badly! Spiritual poverty results! God Almighty is not going to look with favor upon the "bluff, brass and bellowing" methods and spirit sometimes employed by some church or religious leaders. All of us need to beware!

"God made him to prosper." Why? "Because he sought the Lord." He was so busy seeking the Lord he did not have time for his own will! One cannot be filled with God and self at the same time! Even servants recognized this truth in olden days, "the Lord hath prospered my way"—Genesis 24:56. The word testifies "that the Lord made all that he (Joseph) did to prosper in his hand." Genesis 39:3.

Baptist people, agencies, departments, institutions, and causes will be blessed of God when, and as, they walk in His way and stop clamoring for their own ways! "Thou shalt not prosper in thy ways." Deuteronomy 28:29. Convention, Convention Board, Committees, Trustees, etc., manipulations are an abomination in His sight. "Let all things be done decently and in order."—I. Corinthians 14:40.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE May 27, 1945

	SS	BTU
New Albany, First	454	157
Jackson, Calvary	958	244
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	565	279
Jackson, First	1,071	249
Corinth, Tate Street	208	50
Spring Hill, Simpson county	45	
Brookhaven, First	445	102
Picayune, Roseland Park	121	83
Ozona Mission	75	
Wallerville	74	43
Ellison Ridge, Winston county	130	96
Agricola	108	70
Cross Roads, Webster county	45	
Vicksburg, First	560	122
New Fellowship, Jasper county	51	
Vicksburg, Bowmar Avenue	225	106
Center, Union county	101	87
Houlka, Chickasaw county	70	62
East McComb	309	120
Crystal Springs	407	105
Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue	375	126
Mt. Carmel, Lawrence county	130	130
Hardy	71	12
Friendship, Pike county	137	126
Beaumont	68	67
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Hattiesburg, Main Street	511	155
Pascagoula, First	403	105
Darlove	139	63
Wellman	76	97

A good Christian who has recently had two deaths in his family wrote in reply to a letter of sympathy as follows: "Thank you for your kind letter. It helped me a lot to know you were thinking of me and praying for me in this hour of sadness. It seems I am having my part of this the last few months, but my faith in a loving Christ is not shaken, for I have felt His very presence many times."

Barnard Hall, a spacious residence acquired by the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary last year for a woman's dormitory for students of the seminary's School of Music, will be open for occupancy by the school on July 1.

Rev. Barney Walker closed a most successful two weeks' revival meeting at the Skene Baptist Church on Friday night, May 18. The membership of the church and many friends of the evangelist felt themselves deeply stirred to a renewal of their Christian vows. The young people and children of the church and community responded in a most remarkable way to the challenge of following Christ. During the days of the meeting there were 48 professions of faith and 14 others joined the church by letter transfer.—George H. Skutt, pastor.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD PRESENTS CENTENNIAL CONVENTION BY PROXY

Due to war conditions and by request of government authorities the session of the Southern Baptist Convention scheduled to begin in Atlanta, Georgia, on May 8 was cancelled.

This issue of The Baptist Record is largely given to reports of agencies that would have made their reports to the Convention. Due to paper shortages all articles have been condensed, but no essential facts have been omitted.

Fuller reports will be published in the Southern Baptist Convention Annual. Notice of its publication will be given in The Baptist Record.

We had planned to make editorial comment about some parts of our Convention work, but there are so many good reports that we are giving all the space we can to them. We hope to find space for comment in a later issue.

JUNE IS CENTENNIAL OFFERING MONTH

Any time is a good time, but churches that have not already taken their Centennial Thank Offering are urged to consider June. The month first set was April. The Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board voted to postpone the time from April to June. This was done at the request of several pastors and leaders. Baptists in Mississippi were doing things so fast that April was not considered a good time. However, the Executive Committee made it plain that each church was to decide for itself when to take the offering.

Some took the offering in April, some in May, and some will wait until after June.

Regardless of when, every church should give its members an

opportunity to share in a privilege that is presented but once in a hundred years.

Some ask why a special offering during 1945.

1. It is our Centennial Year. Centennials are to be celebrated.

2. Money is now plentiful. Many Baptists are now making more money than ever before. Let's give while making.

3. The fields are white unto harvest. Every one of our Mission Boards could use several times their present income.

4. The equipment and buildings of all our agencies need repairing. Little has been done during war years. It is either repair or ruin. And the war has caused undreamed of destruction and destitution all over the world. Famine will soon begin to spread.

5. Doors hitherto closed, will open to Baptists. Places where the gospel has been barred will welcome our messengers.

6. It is a thank offering. If any people on earth should be thankful, it is Southern Baptists.

Let us show as well as say our thanks.

ADVICE ASKED, ADVICE GIVEN

Below we publish a part of a letter from Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor, First Baptist Church, of Memphis, Tenn., and chairman of the Allocations Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention:

Dear Brother Goodrich:

In behalf of the Allocation Committee, composed of Dr. Homer G. Lindsey, Dr. J. R. Jester, and myself, I am writing you for counsel with reference to the proposed distribution of Co-operative Program funds for the coming year.

The committee is keenly aware of the grave responsibilities with which it is charged and of the need of divine guidance and is seeking prayerfully to know and to do the will of the Lord.

The committee also realizes that to gain a fair, sympathetic, and intelligent understanding of all the needs of all the agencies receiving financial support from Southwide funds there must be an intensive study of the full picture, and that to this end the counsel of the brethren can be of great assistance.

Particularly I should like to have your reaction to the following questions:

1. Should we continue the practice of making "preferred allocations," whereby such agencies as the Baptist Brotherhood, Education Committee, Baptist World Alliance, and other phases of our work are taken care of through the undivided receipts of the Co-operative Program prior to the distribution of funds on a percentage basis (see Annual of S. B. C., 1944, p. 36) or, should we on the other hand so arrange the Southwide denominational budget that all agencies of the Convention receiving financial support will be cared for out of the distributable funds on the percentage basis? There are some who feel that "preferred allocations" are confusing

to the average mind and that the actual distribution of Co-operative Program funds is not clearly presented in the traditional table of percentages.

For instance, in 1945 the table of percentages states that the Foreign Mission Board is to receive 50 per cent of the Co-operative Program funds and the Home Mission Board 23 1/3 per cent. As a matter of fact, neither of the boards will receive that amount, for, prior to the distribution of the percentages there will have been taken out of the undistributed receipts the total amount called for in the operating budget (see S. B. C. Annual, 1944, p. 36) and, in addition to that, the 5 per cent of the undivided receipts which is to go to the Relief and Annuity Board.

Actually, for 1944, it is estimated that the Foreign Mission Board received only 45.06 per cent, while the Home Mission Board received some 21.59 per cent. Should this practice be continued, in your opinion, or should we try to revise the budget that it will be more clearly stated and conform more nearly to the plan of the budget in the local churches?

2. You are familiar with the needs of the seminaries, and with their requests for additional funds. Should they, in your opinion, receive a larger percentage of Co-operative Program funds and, if so, on what basis should the distribution be made? Should they each receive an equal amount as at present? You are perhaps aware that the seminaries previously did receive a larger percentage of Southwide funds than they now receive. If you believe they should receive a larger percentage, from what source should the added percentage come? Manifestly it would have to come from some agency that is now receiving the larger division.

3. Should the Southern Baptist Hospital, of New Orleans, which relinquished its allocation for the purpose of aiding the Relief and Annuity Board, be reincluded in the percentages of distribution of Southwide funds?

4. Should the Allocation Committee recommend any major changes in the distribution of Southwide funds prior to the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention or should the committee withhold any suggestions involving radical change in the present division of funds until the next meeting of the Convention?

If you could see your way to write an editorial setting forth your views on the above matter, I have a feeling it would help the committee tremendously and also aid in getting the matter before our people in a more helpful manner. The Allocation Committee would welcome any other suggestion you might have to make concerning the task they are to perform.

Sincerely yours,

R. PAUL CAUDILL,
Chairman, Allocation Committee.

Question one: We believe that "preferred allocations" as far as possible should be discontinued. At our house all members of the family are invited to the table at the same time. We do not let part of the family eat and then give what remains to the other members of the family.

Question two: We are in sympathy with the seminaries and

their desire for larger support. But as Dr. Caudill indicates any increase would have to come from some agency that is now receiving larger divisions. In the words of Dr. Caudill we also ask, "From what source should the added percentage come?"

Question three: If the Southern Baptist Hospital has been getting along so well since it relinquished its allocation in favor of the Relief and Annuity Board we think it should continue as at present.

Question four: We do not think the Allocations Committee should recommend any major changes in the distribution of Southwide funds prior to the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Executive Committee and its committee will be wise to refrain from making any radical changes. Whether right or wrong any changes will be the source of criticism. We have too much criticism now without giving opportunity for more.

—BR—

WOMEN HAVE BEEN LOYAL

Miss Kathleen Mallory
Executive Secretary, Birmingham

Celebrating with the Southern Baptist Convention its Centennial, Woman's Missionary Union rejoices that the records show that throughout these 100 years the women and young people in their missionary organizations have loyally helped the various boards and agencies of the Convention. In the preamble of the W. M. U. constitution we read: "Stimulating a missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and young people of the churches and wishing to aid in collecting funds for missionary purposes to be disbursed by the boards of the Southern Baptist Convention."

"Stimulating a Missionary Spirit"—At least three of the five chief aims of the Union are for missions. They are prayer for, study of, and participation in missions. Last year, in addition to the missionary devotional periods of the almost countless meetings of W. M. U. women and young people, and in addition to the remarkably regular use of the W. M. U. Calendar of Prayer, almost two-thirds of the Union's 39,667 organizations observed each of the three Seasons of Prayer. For the study of missions there were held 50,268 classes in addition to the monthly or more frequent missionary program meetings. Nearly one-third of the 719,186 W. M. U. members testify that they bore a missionary witness in their communities.

"The Grace of Giving"—During its 57 years as an organized auxiliary to the Convention the Union has the record of \$79,336,470.37 as contributed by W. M. U. women and young people to home and foreign missions, ministerial relief, Christian education, state and other S. B. C. causes, Bible fund of Sunday School Board, Margaret fund, and W. M. U. Training School. In this large amount are included, of course, the 1944 contributions which reached the unparalleled annual total of \$6,387,598.56. The Union's goal for this Centennial Celebration is one-third of the Convention's twenty millions.

Significant Facts About Mississippi College

Clinton, Miss.
Questions and Answers
J. A. Travis

(Continued from Last Week)

9. Q. Will any debt be incurred in the execution of the Enlargement Program?

A. No. The Mississippi Baptist Convention is on record as being opposed to the denomination going in debt. The Board of Trustees of Mississippi College is committed to a "pay as you build" program.

10. Q. What are the ways in which a local church can help in the Mississippi College Enlargement Program?

- A. (1) A definite allocation in the church budget.
- (2) Special offerings.
- (3) Make appeals for individual and group contributions.
- (4) Urge promising students to come to Mississippi College.
- (5) Emphasize the importance of Christian Education.

11. Is there danger that a generous contribution to Mississippi College by members of a local church will reduce the receipts for the local church and Cooperative Program?

A. No. Experience proves conclusively that the reverse is true. People are likely to contribute more when their perspective has been widened than they did previously.

12. Q. Why are the receipts from the Co-operative Program insufficient to meet the present needs of Christian Education?

A. Mississippi Baptists for the last twenty years have been busy paying debts which were incurred in programs of expansion for Baptist institutions. Now, that these debts have been liquidated, our colleges will begin after 1945 to participate in cooperative receipts. Such receipts, however, will not be adequate for present emergency requirements.

13. Is Mississippi College a fully accredited institution?

A. Yes. Mississippi College is a member of the Southern Association of Colleges, the regional standardizing agency, and is on the approved list of the Association of American Universities, which is the national standardization agency. The college is also a member of the American Association of Colleges and the American Council on Education. This guarantees the recognition of credits to her graduates in all of the higher institutions of learning, with the right to pursue graduate work without question.

14. Q. What opportunities for financial assistance have ministerial students?

A. They may apply to the Board of Ministerial Education for loans or gifts. The Board owns several houses and apartments in Clinton which can be secured free of rent by married students. For application blanks, write Secretary, Board of Ministerial Education, Clinton, Mississippi. As a general rule, pastoral work is available for all worthy ministerial students desiring it.

15. Q. What practical courses are being offered in the Department of Bible and Evangelism?

A. History of Christian Education

DEPARTMENT HEADS STATE NEEDS FOR MORE ROOM

Several department heads have been asked about the need for more and better office space. Their statements follow:

Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Convention Board:

"Mississippi Baptists need a Baptist Building for Convention Board and other Baptist offices. These offices should be in easy access to the public. They should be well lighted and well ventilated. Office spaces should be in proper size for carrying on the work needed to be done. We should have a chapel, a parlor and rest rooms. Such offices will save Mississippi Baptists time, money, personnel and will make for a more efficient service!"

Rev. A. B. Pierce, Executive Secretary, Mississippi Baptist Foundation:

"After spending several weeks in a corner of the stock room and the place where all our mimeographing is done, we finally got possession of a small office that was reluctantly relinquished by Draughton's Business College. In this small office room all of the work of the stenographer and bookkeeper and the conferences with the executive secretary have to be held. There is very little room for visitors to sit, since we have two desks, four chairs, a typewriter table and a filing cabinet in this room besides the corners filled with stationery, tracts and other necessary supplies.

"We urgently need a large room for the stenographer and bookkeeper to work, and a private office for the executive secretary to hold private conferences, and study and write articles, and prepare messages on the Foundation work. We also need a small closet stock room for our supplies. We need the Baptist Building now!"

Miss Edwina Robinson, Executive Secretary, Mississippi W. M. U.:

"Our greatest need is a WORK ROOM and storage space. We mail out so much literature and handled so many different types and pieces of literature that we need a room to adequately and conveniently store and catalog this. At present we have to stack boxes all over the office to handle this.

"With normal capacity of workers in this department, there are five people with only two offices, conditions VERY crowded."

Miss Lois Tyler, mailing department superintendent:

"The bookkeeping office is 13½x16½ feet. In this office we have three desks, one graphotype, one addressograph, numerous filing cabinets, tables and shelves for supplies. As many as five people attempt to work in this office at one time.

"The mailing office on mailing day reminds me of the first time I attempted to cook rice. I started it in a small boiler, it grew so I had to get a larger one, then a still larger one

including methods and techniques. There are courses in Church Administration and other offerings especially designed for the training of church secretaries, associate pastors and ministers of music.

16. Q. How many ministerial students are now in attendance at Mississippi College? How many churches do they serve as student pastors?

A. Sixty-seven (67) ministerial students. One hundred six (106) churches being pastored.

and finally several until it had covered the entire stove.

"The mailing office is 15x18 feet. We have in this office one graphotype and five addressographs, together with the necessary files and cabinets. The majority of the 50,000 Baptist Records are addressed in this office where six people work and five others come and go all day bringing the papers to the machines and carrying them out for wrapping. We have overrun the office, put tables in all available hall space and even use part of the editorial office for bundling and wrapping the papers for mailing. They are then sacked in approximately 130 mail sacks and placed against the wall of the entire length of the hall making it almost impossible for anyone who isn't extremely thin to pass through to the other offices.

"At the rate The Baptist Record is growing, employees of the other departments will soon have to either help mail Baptist Records or declare a holiday on mailing day."

E. C. Williams, secretary, Sunday School Department:

"All the work is done in one small room, which greatly hinders frequently. Only recently a man came in to see the secretary privately about a matter and we had to ask the others to leave the office and their work for that conference. They could do nothing but wait during that period."

Auber J. Wilds, secretary, Department of Training:

"The quarters we are now using to house Baptist Headquarters was adequate twenty-five years ago, but since then Baptists have been making progress, and as the work has grown

Thirty-one members of Linn W. M. S. were present on May 21 when Miss Clarice Conner, a recent graduate of B. B. I. and now with State Training Union Department, led the Bible study.—Reporter.

Dr. Dick H. Hall, Jr., pastor, First church, Decatur, Ga., assisted Pastor L. Reed Polk of Madison, Ga., in evangelistic meetings recently. There were 14 additions and a fine spirit of revival in the church. (Brethren Hall and Polk are Mississippians.)

it has been necessary to add equipment, larger stocks of tracts, paper, stationery, etc. This has been true of every department. The Training Union Department has one room about 15x15 feet in which we have three desks along with all the filing cabinets, free tracts, etc., etc. From the standpoint of doing a more efficient job we look forward to larger space, and as we contemplate this new building, we think of it as a beautiful and practical workshop, built to the honor and glory of our loving Father and divine Savior.

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BROTHER McCALL WROTE US

... about placing an advertisement in the special Convention number of the Baptist Record. We are approaching the assignment with difficulty. It hardly seems necessary to tell about the excellence of the instruction, or the spiritual influences and the high quality of young womanhood found at Blue Mountain College. The educational purpose of the College is well known. Our pastors and people have shown their awareness of these things by entrusting their daughters to us in such numbers that next session we shall be faced with another overflow enrollment.

A matter that has been of much concern to Baptists in the past is that Baptist young people and their parents have neglected their Baptist schools. You will be happy to know that your college at Blue Mountain has been a leader in changing this trend. If some friend or group of friends were to enable Blue Mountain to erect a dormitory with a capacity for one hundred girls by September we could fill it. We will have to refuse admission to that many girls because of lack of space. A demand for training in a Baptist college exists at Blue Mountain—a demand by students and parents supported by room reservation checks.

We felt you should know. So, instead of advertising the College in this space, we are simply giving important information to Mississippi Baptists.

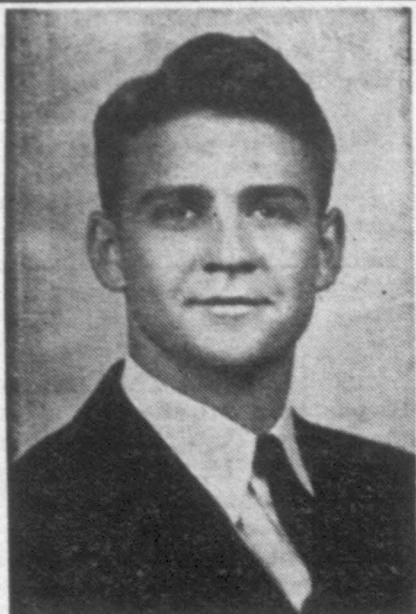
A gift of such a building would be a worthy memorial to an individual or a family. Memorial rooms for individuals could be created in the building.

You might want to consider such a gift when preparing your income tax return in the fall.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Webb Brame, Yazoo City Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson



MR. HOWARD WALTERS
Summer R. A. Field Worker

Mr. Walters will direct the Royal Ambassador camps this summer and later in the summer will be in several of the associations to help strengthen the Royal Ambassador chapters.

He is a native of Georgia, graduate of Mercer University and has completed his second year at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.



MISS NELL TAYLOR
W. M. U. Field Worker

Miss Taylor will help in the Girls' Auxiliary and Young Woman's Auxiliary camps, also in associational meetings and other types of work. She is a graduate of Blue Mountain and has just completed a year's study at the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville.

Brazilian Training School Has Good Year

I wish to send you greetings from our W. M. U. Training School here in Recife. Your prayers, interest and offerings have blessed us in such a splendid way this past year that our hearts are full of gratitude. Please accept my sincere thanks.

We have had a very good year, considering the fact that the director, Miss Mildred Cox, was on her furlough. The responsibility was really heavy for me, but with the cooperation of Mrs. L. L. Johnson and our teachers here I have managed to finish the year all right.

This year we had the first graduation exercise of the superior Training School course. I regretted the fact that Mildred would not be here to give out the first diplomas. As it was my first time to preside and give the diplomas out, I was really frightened. Nine lovely, talented girls received their diplomas. I have never seen a finer group of girls. When they were giving their last program in our morning worship and were singing "They Crucified My Lord," I couldn't keep the tears back. My thoughts were: "Where could you find nine girls who could sing so lovely in English? What will we do without them next year? (and at last), "What grand work they will do in the future!"

Thirty-nine girls studied in the Training School this past year. They went out two by two each Sunday to work in the different churches of the city. During the holidays twelve of them will do W. M. U. field work (teaching study courses and directing Vacation Bible schools). Many teach study courses and direct Bible schools in their own churches. It is really surprising to read their reports of the summer's work—so much has been accomplished.

Forty college girls stayed in the dormitory this year. Five of these girls

were won to Christ during the year. Many of them are Christians and are active in our college church.

We had this year the best state W. M. U. Convention I have ever attended. All reports were splendid and encouraging. The women passed their goal in their offering for the school. All offerings were way beyond those of last year. I am so happy that the women's work is growing so rapidly. A short report of the work accomplished by your W. M. U. last year was given to inspire the women here to a higher goal.

Our college and primary departments had the largest enrollment in its history. As the Underwoods have come to direct the religious activities in the school, we are looking forward to a finer spirit among the students and many being won to Christ. Our fall and spring revivals are well attended and eight students were won this year.

Please continue to remember us in your prayers.

MAYE BELL TAYLOR.
—BR—

Spanish Baptists Gain Courage

Within a very short time I have had the privilege of receiving World Comrades and The Window of Y. W. A. for this year and just now the March number of Royal Service arrived. You can't imagine what that means to me. In 1942 I received one number of each paper and since then none has reached me. The same has happened with other papers which we used to receive from "the States" and thus we have been shut off from "our" world and very isolated.

Now it seems as if we could lift our heads and see the dawn of a new day and we surely breathe a little bit more freely. Now and then I see things around me that make me say to myself: "Certainly there are prayers being offered on our behalf somewhere."

Little by little we are gathering

WORLD PEACE PRINCIPLES PRINTED IN CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

J. M. Dawson, Chairman, Waco

The committee's statement of six principles having been accepted unanimously by the last Convention, every effort was made initially to inform our people concerning these principles. They were: (1) No isolation. (2) A democratic world. (3) A world organized for peace. (4) Christian race relations. (5) Equal economic opportunity. (6) Religious liberty. Through the courtesy of the Sunday School Board, we were enabled to print and distribute 50,000 copies of a 16-page booklet entitled, "The Coming Peace." It was printed in the Congressional Record.

Many articles written by members of the committee for the Baptist press have been published, notably in periodicals of the Sunday School Board, the Brotherhood, W. M. U., and our several Baptist weeklies. Radio addresses by Dr. Ryland Knight and the chairman have been recorded and are still available for use by broadcasting stations. As a result, it is believed Baptists have been wholesomely aroused to the part they perform in the formation of a strong public opinion which will influence action by the peace delegates and support adoption of their proposals.

As we face another year it is the unanimous judgment of members that this committee should be continued. It is certain that whatever the result of the San Francisco Conference, our nation's adoption or rejection of the findings of that conference will be a momentous responsibility. Instead of letting down, there will be need for still greater effort on our part. A larger expenditure of funds is needed for the one thousand dollars originally granted, subsequently supplemented by five hundred dollars more, have barely met expenses.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY ADDS MANY SELECTIONS

W. O. Carver
Chairman, Louisville

This report has been prepared by correspondence. It notes a definite, if slow, increase of interest in our history and is especially gratified to report large increase in materials contributed by the still small actively interested friends.

The preparation of the History of Southern Baptists in the century has been delayed by the long and hopeless illness of Mrs. W. W. Barnes; but Dr. Barnes is now able very actively to give time to this. There is hope that the volume will be published before the 1946 meeting.

The Historical Society has added hundreds of volumes in the past year.

more courage and taking up old activities again and His blessing seems to be resting on our efforts. Of course, the general situation in this part of the world has changed a good deal during the last few months. Especially in Madrid there is a fine group of women who celebrate their services in combination with the Sunday school. It is a real joy to be amongst them and see their happiness and their eagerness to learn and to serve.

Elin Bengtson (Mrs. Nils J.)
Tavern, 15-1,
Barcelona (6), Spain.

April 23, 1945.

BIBLE INSTITUTE HAS STUDENTS FROM TWENTY STATES

Duke K. McCall, President
New Orleans

In the history of Israel, the school of the prophets once outgrew its bounds: "And the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell with thee is too straight for us. Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and take thence every man a beam, and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he answered, Go ye" (2 Kings 6:1-2).

Southern Baptist schools of the prophets have reached this same place in their own development. We rejoice that, through approval upon a \$200,000 building fund campaign, the Southern Baptist Convention has said to the Baptist Bible Institute, "Go ye." The most important thing before us is the provision of this sum, by which a new men's dormitory may be erected in time to supply living quarters for the many young men in our armed forces who are hearing the call of God above the thunder of the guns. They will seek admission to schools which are already turning away applicants for lack of space.

Enrollment in the Baptist Bible Institute, as of March 15, was 276. This represents an increase over the past year. It is as large as housing facilities would allow.

Included in this number are students from twenty states and three foreign countries, also representatives from forty-nine different colleges.

One of the most significant new contributions of the Baptist Bible Institute to the work of Southern Baptists is through the extension classes of the correspondence department. By these classes, whose teachers must be approved by the Baptist Bible Institute, many men and women are enabled to secure theological training without leaving their places of service. Up to one year's credit on certificate courses may be earned through these extension classes. Enrollment in these classes, as of February 1, 1945, was 223. In addition, 232 individuals were taking correspondence courses. Through these two mediums, 455 individuals were taking 548 courses.

The committee reports with grief the death during the year of two of its members, C. B. Waller of Arkansas, and B. D. Ragsdale, historian of Georgia Baptists, and a most intelligent helper in the work of the committee.

Many churches and some associations and conventions are now celebrating centennials, semi-centennials, and some longer periods of their work. Not all these are preparing adequate histories, but this should be done in every case.

The time is at hand when Southern Baptists must make provision for collecting, preserving, writing and publishing historical materials. This can never be done adequately by a committee limited to a thousand dollars a year for all expenses, including its meetings, and to the work of the Historical Society whose only income is the fees of a small membership, and an occasional small contribution. An efficient secretary or supervisor on a full-time basis is an urgent requirement.

Relief And Annuity Board Has Large Assets

Thomas J. Watts, Exec. Sec.
W. R. Alexander, Asso. Ex. Sec.
Dallas, Texas

Southern Baptists' century of history is divided into two parts by the year 1918, which year saw this Southwide board begin its work of gracious beneficence.

1845-1918

In those days, few ministers were able to save anything from their meager incomes (pastors' salaries among Southern Baptists averaged \$344, census 1910), and savings were frequently dissipated through unwise investments.

In those days, relief work for aged and disabled preachers was not organized on a convention-wide scale, and the disabled brother received sympathy, but little financial aid.

In those days, old age frequently meant retirement from labor and retirement with insecurity, worry, suffering, and want.

1918-1945

In these days, many can lay aside something with regularity, and this Board offers security plus reasonable interest earnings through its Savings Annuity Department.

In these days, financial aid is being extended over twelve hundred aged preachers and widows totalling \$150,000 a year in all, and the unfortunate victim of total and permanent disability is receiving as high as \$500 a year financial assistance from this Board.

In these days, old age means retirement with honor and a modest annuity that means security of mind plus physical comfort through the Ministers' Retirement Plan.

Over eleven thousand churches co-operating, along with their pastors, in the Ministers' Retirement Plan.

Already five hundred retired preachers receiving old age annuities under this plan.

Assets of the Board are over eight millions. Income last year was well over two millions. Total number of annuitants (all plans), 1,647; relief beneficiaries, 1,225; total benefits paid last year, \$774,142.99.

A new day for all our denominational workers dawned when was born the Relief and Annuity Board.

—BR—

SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY ENROLLED 1,075

E. D. Head, President
Fort Worth, Texas

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary was chartered March 14, 1908. In the summer of 1910, it was moved from Baylor University to Fort Worth, Texas. Dr. B. H. Carroll, founder and first president, served the institution until his death November 11, 1914. In February, 1915, Dr. L. R. Scarborough came to the presidency, and continued in this capacity until his retirement in August, 1942.

The resident enrollment at Southwestern Seminary for the session 1944-45 reached a total of 1,075, a gain of 142 over the preceding session. When we add to this number 112 who are enrolled for correspondence courses we arrive at a grand total of 1,187 who have been served by this Seminary for the year now drawing to a close. Our students in residence came to us from 32 states and three foreign countries. There are 170 who graduated at our commencement in May.

Southern Baptists Show Interest In Returning Chaplains

L. L. Carpenter
Chairman, Raleigh

It is recognized that the Holy Spirit guides in the calling and settling of pastors on fields, but this Commission is to be the human agent through which Southern Baptists may show their interest in these chaplains and render help wherever possible. Southern Baptists have stood behind their chaplains in their appointment, in their active service, and they will stand behind them as they return to civilian life.

According to the 1944 annual report of the Convention Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains, there were at the end of 1944, 1,048 Southern Baptist chaplains on duty, 901 in the army and 147 in the navy. There have been 65 of our men in the army and five in the navy separated from the service. Practically all of these have found satisfactory pastorates.

Some states have elected or appointed committees to deal with the matter of returning chaplains, and some have provided a small sum of money to be paid to chaplains when needed in the interim before they get located in civilian pastorates. All three seminaries have given attention to refresher courses for chaplains who might want this training.

Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work for the Home Mission Board, has kept in close touch with us and his counsel has been of incalculable value. At the request of the commission he is sending out to all of our members monthly reports giving detailed information about each chaplain at the time of his separation from the service. This information in turn is to be furnished to the various state papers so that publicity may be given as to the availability of these men for pastorates.

Two new pipe organs and seven pianos were added recently to the equipment of the School of Music of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

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Twenty-five were graduated at our summer school commencement in July, 1944. For the entire school year it will be observed that 195 have achieved graduation.

During the calendar year 1944 we received from the Co-operative Program \$136,068.83. The Seminary endowment is now \$1,750,000. We are staying well within the bounds of our current operating budget.

There are 282 who have gone as missionaries from Southwestern Seminary—216 foreign missionaries and 66 home missionaries.

We are truly heartened by the encouraging progress made in the movement of our loyal alumni, to raise \$750,000 for the construction of the Scarborough-Truett Administration-Library building. Mr. William Fleming, Baptist deacon and member of Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, has inspired us to move on to the full realization of this goal by his pledge of \$250,000, on the condition that we raise \$500,000 in addition. We have received \$166,595.37 in addition to Mr. Fleming's pledge. God's hand is on Southwestern Seminary. Our dormitories and class rooms are crowded beyond capacity. A wonderful spirit prevails.

Evangelism Featured In Centennial

W. H. Knight
Chairman, Shreveport

Your committee recommended to the 1944 Convention that we make evangelism the major feature of our Centennial celebration.

It was suggested that we seek to win a million new converts to Christ in 1945. The Home Mission Board was asked to lead in this great Crusade. The Sunday School Board and all other agencies were asked to co-operate. The various state conventions, district associations, and all churches were asked to unite in organizing for the greatest soul-winning effort in history.

M. E. Dodd, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Shreveport, La., was asked by the Home Mission Board to become general director. His church graciously released him for one year and agreed to pay his salary.

Dr. Dodd began his duties in July, 1944. He selected a staff, composed of J. B. Lawrence, T. L. Holcomb and W. H. Knight. Each state convention was asked to make this Crusade its chief emphasis in 1945 and to organize its forces in that direction, including district associations and churches. In all the state conventions and in most of the associations and in thousands of local churches this has been done.

We are in the midst of a two-months period of more than a hundred city-wide simultaneous revival efforts, resulting in thousands of conversions and other additions to the churches. These will be followed by hundreds of such united efforts in the district associations beyond the large centers.

STRONG VOICES MULTIPLY

J. B. Weatherspoon
Chairman, Louisville

The beginning of the second century of our Convention's history is marked by a sharpening conviction that Southern Baptists have a leading part to play in maintaining the moral foundations of our nation's life. Strong voices among us are multiplying and the nature of our ethical task is being more clearly defined. This progressive awakening raises the hope that, in this second century of our Convention's history, Baptists of the South will assume a noble leadership and bring to bear upon every area of our social life the high teachings of Christian morality.

This end is the purpose of the Social Service Commission. We are confronted by trends and tensions that require sincerest Christian faith and character. The race problem, the family problem, the industrial problem, the crime problem, the alcohol problem, the problems of vice, the problems of internal government, and the problems of international relationships—all of these and more, constitute the complex environment in which Christianity must operate in our day. All have their moral and spiritual aspects which we cannot evade, but must understand. And, understanding, we must act. In order to do a surer and better service the commission has divided its membership into groups for a more adequate study of our regional problems and through the gracious co-operation of our Baptist papers these groups will publish brief articles from time to time during the next Convention year.

Before the RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD and After

Southern Baptists' century of history is divided into two parts by the year 1918, which year saw this Southwide Board begin its work of gracious beneficence.

1845 — 1918

IN THOSE DAYS, few ministers were able to save anything from their meager incomes (pastors' salaries among Southern Baptists averaged \$344.00, census 1910) and savings were frequently dissipated through unwise investments.

IN THOSE DAYS, relief work for aged and disabled preachers was not organized on a convention-wide scale, and the disabled brother received sympathy with but little financial aid.

IN THOSE DAYS, old age frequently meant retirement from labor and retirement with insecurity, worry, suffering, and want.

Over eleven thousand churches cooperating, along with their pastors, in the Ministers Retirement Plan. Dues paid by ministers, churches, and state convention on \$13,500,000.00 annual salaries during April. Total salaries on which dues paid in all retirement plans over \$17,500,000.00.

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1918 — 1945

IN THESE DAYS, many can lay aside something with regularity, and this Board offers security plus reasonable interest earnings through its Savings Annuity Department.

IN THESE DAYS, financial aid is being extended over twelve hundred aged preachers and widows totalling \$150,000.00 a year in all, and the unfortunate victim of total and permanent disability is receiving as high as \$500.00 a year financial assistance from this Board.

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RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD of the SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Thomas J. Watts, D. D., Executive Secretary
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DALLAS, TEXAS

Report Of Committee On Statement Of Principles

Ellis A. Fuller, Chairman, Louisville
Preamble

From time to time through all our modern history, Baptists have declared their principles. Surely, when the world is writhing in terrific crisis we are under obligation to restate our principles, to make clear that our faith is good news for all mankind. It is with this sense of obligation and with this purpose that the Southern Baptist Convention, at its Centennial meeting, undertakes to state afresh the basic principles that we must proclaim to the whole world in our day.

Principles

Our distinctive belief is our Doctrine of Man in the personal order of life, that is, what God says concerning man.

(1) God places infinite and eternal value on the individual man.

(2) Every man is endowed by the Creator with competence as a person to deal with God and with his fellow-men in all rightful relations.

(3) God gives to the individual man natural, inalienable rights and privileges which should be recognized in human society.

(4) Man consequently has supreme and compelling responsibility under God for the full realization of his possibilities as a human being, for seeking and receiving fellowship with God, and for fulfilling the purposes of God in all human relations. To the end of this divine economy for humanity, God has provided in the gospel of Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, for the renewal of the individual soul by regeneration and for its response through the grace of God to the divine ideal.

Out of this doctrine of the individual grows the Baptist conviction concerning all aspects of religious experience and life.

First, this religious experience of regeneration and conversion is the beginning of the Christian life and is prerequisite to church membership.

Second, the local church, a voluntary fellowship of baptized believers, is responsible directly and only to Christ, the Creator and Head of the church. It is a democratic body in which all the members are equally free and responsible participants. Its divinely called ministry is chosen by the church itself under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Third, the one and only authority in faith and practice is the New Testament as the divinely inspired record and interpretation of the supreme revelation of God through Jesus Christ as Redeemed, Saviour and Lord.

Fourth, this basic belief demands the separation of church and state. Each must be left free to serve in its own divinely appointed sphere for the welfare of mankind; but neither undertaking to control the other or to be supported as such by the other.

Fifth, the comprehensive statement of all these doctrines is contained in our insistence upon religious liberty. By this we mean, and must mean, not only freedom of individual worship and fellowship without interference by the state; but we mean also specifically and insistently the right of propaganda through evangelism, education, and the development of Christian institutions. This we claim not as for ourselves, but for all men of all religious beliefs and of all theories of social

order which are not obviously immoral or detrimental to the common welfare of men and we demand this not as a concession or toleration, but as a basic right under God.

Fields of Application

These basic principles find the spheres of their operation in all the principal concerns of humanity. The Christian movement is not isolated from the common concerns and life of mankind, but as a declarative, prophetic movement charged with a gospel for men in all relations, as a leavening and instructing agency in the midst of society for the good of the human race and the glory of God in the coming of His kingdom.

(1) To this comprehensive end, Christians are under obligation to seek for true Christian unity in experience and spiritual fellowship; and for the voluntary co-operation of all Christian believers in the total work for which the gospel is designed. This co-operation should not issue in any ecclesiastical overlordship of the individually redeemed or their churches.

(2) Recognizing the divine sovereignty over all the people of the world, we must do all possible to prevent the organization of the world on the principles of materialism, selfish nationalism, arrogant imperialism and power politics; but rather insist upon the principles of oneness of humanity, the rights of all men alike under God, and the Christian ideals of brotherhood, justice and truth, remembering that God's supreme word for the organized life of humanity is righteousness.

(3) To this end it is necessary to resist all inequalities of basic rights and privileges in the church and in society, which arise out of racial prejudices and economic greed, and class distinctions; every where proclaiming and practicing human brotherhood under the will and purpose of God.

(4) Our Christian faith repudiates and opposes all forms of exploitation, manipulation or neglect and indifference on the part of any section of our human race by any other section on any and every pretext whatsoever. The Christian religion lies at the base of all. In it alone is there hope of the application of these principles in other relations of men.

It is especially urgent therefore, at this time, that these principles should be recognized when we are face to face with the necessity of the reconstruction, the rehabilitation and the re-orientation of the lives of all peoples and the corporate life of humanity.

There can be a Christian order only as it is constituted of and by genuine Christians. Here lies the imperative for an immediate undertaking for worldwide and thorough evangelizing of all peoples. Christian missions must be comprehensive, thorough and universal. New men are essential to a new world.

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Mrs. J. B. Lovett, reporter for Linn church, Sunflower county, writes that there were three additions Sunday, May 20. She also speaks in glowing terms of the work of the pastor, Clark McMurray.

—BR—

Our VBS opened May 21 with 18 pupils and two teachers. There were 56 in attendance at the three classes of our BTU study course. We are expecting the attendance to double in both. We are looking forward to the time when our new annex to the church will be ready.—Luther Turner, pastor, Brewer church, Perry county.



CARTHAGE CALLS PASTOR

Dr. William Potter, former pastor at McLain and now pastor of Calvary church, Neosha, Missouri, has accepted the pastorate at Carthage and plans to be on the field by June 10 when Evangelist W. W. Kyzar is scheduled to begin a revival meeting.

Emphasizing the fact that the Lord had blessed his ministry at Neosha, Dr. Potter said:

"I might add that the Lord has blessed our ministry of 18 months here and it makes me humble to know that I can leave the pastorate of this church with all debts paid, money in the treasury and the genuine satisfaction of having led these people to a 50-50 basis in co-operative giving; of having received into the church nearly 150 additions during the pastorate and really having had a revival every Sunday. There were very few weeks that there was not at least one addition to the church and the baptismal waters were troubled."

—BR—

Lawrence Tabb, pianist and accordionist, is available for revivals throughout the summer. P. O. Box 162, Wesson, Miss.

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Louis J. Bristow, Superintendent

The past year has been filled with war's carnage and loss, but it has been a year of opportunity to serve the greatest number of suffering people we have cared for in any similar period. And that while we were experiencing great difficulties in securing manpower and supplies.

Work of the hospital that can be tabulated indicates the following: 24,806 patients, 127,522 days of service, 1,161 persons receiving 14,987 days of free service at a cost of \$66,875.67 to the hospital, 2,688 births, and 5,542 emergency room cases which were not hospitalized. Forty-two young women were graduated from the School of Nursing, and 24 doctors completed their fifth year in medical training. Operating income was \$1,207,046.81; receipts from the Co-operative Program were \$47,410.99; other gifts amounted to \$20,016.46, and interest received was \$638.59; total income, \$1,275,112.85 for the year. We paid all operating expenses, including the free work, paid \$154,757.46 on a new dormitory which will be completed in January; and \$2,268.90 on other capital expenditures; and closed the year with \$20,119.66 in bank. Total fixed assets, \$1,484,992.20.

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Special Associational Conferences Are On

District presidents are already at work and plans for conferences in all of our associations are being made. Some have already been made, the meeting place, time and date set and the announcements gone out to all pastors, associational officers, and Training Union directors and leaders. These meetings are going to be meaningful. Needs of the association will be studied and plans made to meet these needs. These presidents will lead the conference in the associations making up their district, and are equipped with a map of each association, list of the associational officers, list of churches having had a study course this year, outline of the program for the conference, and goal sheets suggesting activities for the next four months. These are significant meetings and we hope every pastor, associational officer, and Training Union director and leader will attend.

6,425 Awards Issued First Third of 1945

Our goal for awards for 1945 is 15,000. We are happy to report that for the first four months of the year we have issued 6,425 awards. These by districts are as follows: District (1) 773; (2) 155; (3) 322; (4) 483; (5) 192; (6) 109; (7) 685; (8) 72; (9) 467; (10) 375; (11) 454; (12) 642; (13) 406; (14) 873. Divided by unions—Juniors, 1,611; Intermediates, 1,638; Young People, 1,284; Adults, 1,898 Story Hour, 4.

We appreciate a letter from Mr. Buford Pierce, Training Union director of the Bethsaida church, Neshoba county, in which he reports a growing interest in the work. This Training Union was organized in April as the result of the Enlargement Campaign in Neshoba county. Dr. O. P. Moore, pastor of Moorhead Baptist Church, led the work in Bethsaida and helped re-establish the Training Union.

The "Associational Angles," a bulletin mailed out by the State Training Union Department, Miss Louise Hill, editor, is being mailed this week to all associational Training Union officers.

Come to See Us!

Every employee of the State Baptist Convention Board is rejoicing over the fact that we have bought a beautiful and spacious building which will house the work of the board beginning about September 1. The quarters we have had for these years have been inadequate for our work. These new quarters will make for better work, as equipment means a great deal in the efficiency of one's work. We praise the Lord for this new home, and we extend to all a cordial invitation to visit us when in Jackson, or make a special trip just for that. The building is on the corner of North Congress and Mississippi, facing the state capitol and one block from First Baptist Church.

In April we issued 2,761 study course

awards in Mississippi. Adults led with 841, Intermediates came second with 794, Juniors third with 696, Young People with 399, and 35 went to general officers.

Gulfport First Loses Educational Director

Mrs. N. H. Eudaly, who for a year or more has been the educational director at First church Gulfport is giving up that position the first of June and will return to Texas. This change is made necessary because of the ill health of their little son. Mr. and Mrs. Eudaly came to Gulfport when Mr. Eudaly was in the Coast Guard. Later he was shipped out and Mrs. Eudaly has continued to make that her home. We regret to lose her from the state. She has made no small contribution to the work, not only in the Gulfport church, but also in the Gulf Coast Association, of which she was Training Union director. She leaves many friends who will bid her God-speed.

We welcome Miss Ruth Loftin back to Mississippi. She comes to be educational director at First church Gulfport. Miss Loftin, as many will remember, was connected with our State Training Union Department for several months last year, going to Hammond, La., to serve as educational director of the church, and student secretary in the State College located in Hammond. She will succeed Mrs. N. H. Eudaly in Gulfport, where she will receive a hearty welcome and will find a cooperative group of church workers.

Reports continue to come in from associations who observed the program scheduled for April 24. This one from Simpson county is one of the best in number of churches represented. Miss Lona Upton, associational director, reports twenty (20) churches represented in their meeting. Certainly congratulations are in order.

We are indebted to Mrs. Ben Penn, Training Union director of the newly organized church in Greenville, East Baptist Church, for a report on their Training Union work. This church is just a few months old and are holding their services in the court house until they can build. They have 116 members and the Training Union has a membership of 60. During a recent study course 54 were enrolled with an average attendance of 51. Lunches were served each evening.

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Rev. Guy Reedy, Jr., has gone to Aberdeen to serve as assistant to Pastor C. W. Thompson for the summer.

—BR—

Lambert: Our revival dates are June 3-10. Dr. F. K. Horton, Clarksdale, is to be the preacher and Raymond Marston, Jackson, the singer.—Reporter.

D. C. Ashford is chairman of the pulpit committee at Lambert.

Public Relations Committee Promotes Religious Liberty

E. Hilton Jackson
Chairman, Washington

The Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations has since the outbreak of the World War concerned itself primarily with the implementation of Religious Liberty in the Peace Organization.

The report of this committee consists of the correspondence of the committee with governmental authorities with reference to the Yalta Conference, the appointment of Honorable Myron C. Taylor as the President's personal representative at the Vatican and the correspondence between Mr. E. R. Stettinius and Dr. Louie D. Newton in reference to this matter.

The committee has prepared a memorial with reference to the position of Baptists on religious liberty, which the secretary of state, Mr. Stettinius, has agreed to have translated into Russian, Spanish, Chinese and French, and transmit it to the delegates of the United Nations meetings in San Francisco April 25.

The document in part says: "We look to you to forge a world in which religious persecution shall be forever proscribed. In this connection we respectfully call your attention to the effort toward this end made by President Wilson at the Paris Peace Conference in 1919.

"Knowing that you are committed to a world organization founded upon the eternal principles of right, we pray that you give the most serious consideration to the principle illustrated in our national life which has promoted peace, good will, and fraternity among all religious groups, namely, the freedom of religion. We hold that religious liberty is the ultimate ground of all human liberties, and it preconditions the stability of democratic processes and institutions."

The committee recommends that

Negro Seminary Makes Progress

Ryland Knight
Chairman, Pulaski, Va.

The Committee on Negro Ministerial Education met in Richmond, Va., January 23, with representatives of the Northern Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention. J. B. Witherspoon, Louisville, was made chairman of the joint committee.

The committee was heartened by the evidence of progress at the American Baptist Seminary, Nashville, under the leadership of the new president and also by the splendid contributions to Negro ministerial education now being made by our seminaries and other colleges through their faculties and the teacher missionaries provided by the Home Mission Board.

A number of vital factors were discussed and will be considered further at the next meeting of the joint committee planned for next January.

—BR—

ONLY 15 MINUTES NEEDED


Again we call attention to the fact that it would be very helpful to this office if we had a complete file of association minutes. We list the following who have not sent us the minutes of their association, and we will be grateful for receiving these, since it means much to the office in being able to supply data upon requests from people all over Mississippi. This we cannot do unless we have the information at hand. The association minutes lacking follow: **Alcorn, Benton, Itawamba, Liberty, Perry, Tippah, Columbus, Adams-Franklin, Kemper, George, Lebanon, Monroe, Tate and Winston.**—D. A. McCall.

the amounts made available during the coming year be greatly increased. The Southern Baptist Convention has appropriated \$5,000, conditioned upon the Northern Convention giving \$4,000 more.

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Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
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W. R. ROBERTS, Associate

Recently we were in conversation with a Southwide leader with reference to some phase of association work. After some discussion he asked us if we did not think the plan suggested would be fruitful. Our reply was that the work of the association is the same as in the local church, that is, the success in either case depends on the leadership. If a leader is secured who has ability, consecration, vision, willingness to work, study, etc., then success is assured. But if the leader is one in name only, failure is inevitable.

What, then, is the best leadership? What type leader, in general, will usually get the best results, all things considered?

Possibly no one can tell all that is involved in this, but surely there must be two items: Stability and Change. Or possibly Routine and Revolution would be a better way to put it.

The leader who does nothing but change will accomplish little, for there will not be sufficient time given to any one thing to get the best results. Also, the leader who never changes will do but little for he will not have the advantage of all the good things, or even some of them, to aid him in the best program. So he must give anything undertaken a thorough trial in order to know whether or not it has merit before making a change. This time of trial may be long or short. Sometimes we can see almost from the beginning that a thing is useless and worthless, and when such is true there is no reason for continuing it further when failure is apparent on every hand.

On the other hand, sometimes we try out a thing and it works very successfully for quite a while and much good is the result, but in the course of time we find that it has run its race and needs to be discarded, even though it served successfully in time past. Therefore, we will have to watch carefully and see just when change should be made and when it should not.

Stability and Change! Routine and Revolution!

What they do hold in store for us when properly and wisely used!

It's great indeed to be willing to change when a change should be made, and it is also great to be willing to continue as is when that should be done.

Yes, the leadership that is best, the type that gets the most results, is that where is found the proper mixture of stability and change. The

leader with the prophet's vision of revolution and the administrator's appreciation of routine is leadership lifted to the nth degree. That is the highest, the most resultful, the most satisfying to all concerned.

Some leaders never change. It is always the same thing. No change, no variety, no difference, no new angle, but always the same. Then others do little but change. There is such a frequent flitting from one thing to another that sufficient time is not given to thoroughly try and test anything.

But, there are the others—and they are the best ones—those who are wise in their plans and try always to put into their programs those things that will get the best results, use them as long as they produce, and then are perfectly willing to discard them for something better even though they served well for a long time. They do not let sentiment and tradition hold them back. They do not fail to make use of the best—new or old—when they see the need of it. They think in big terms; see the needs of all the people under their supervision, and think of them and pray for them. It is in their interest that these leaders work, plan and pray. The result is that they think nothing is too good for their people and they seek the best for them.

That's leadership that counts. That's successful leadership anywhere, any time.

Yes, Stability and Change! Routine and Revolution!

Without real leadership routine and revolution alternate; in its presence they amalgamate.

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SIWELL ADDS NAMES

Siwell church, near Jackson, is making progress in many ways. The pastor is Rev. John Cobb, Mississippi College ministerial student.

The membership has doubled in the past few months. And The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY list has been enlarged due to the growing membership.

Hinds-Warren Record readers are now listed as follows: BEULAH 48, BETHESDA 49, BOLTON 26, CALVARY 933, CHAPEL HILL 22, CLINTON 232, DANIEL 60, DAVIS MEMORIAL 126, Edwards 3, GRIFFITH MEMORIAL 367, JACKSON FIRST 825, LEARNED 14, JACKSON NORTHSIDE 119, Palestine 7, JACKSON PARKWAY 390, POCAHONTAS 22, RAYMOND 61, JACKSON SOUTHSIDE 67, UTICA 72, NEW HAVEN 23, MT. MORGAN 17, VAN WINKLE 123, TERRY 72, SALEM 31, SIWELL 34, Midway 7, VICKSBURG BOWMAR AVENUE 181, CALVARY 20, VICKSBURG FIRST 210, YOKENA 10, ANTIOCH 36.

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Plans are under way at Pineville for a new brick building. In two services almost one thousand dollars was raised. Friends of the old church are asked to send their donations to R. F. Byrd, Pineville, Mississippi, chairman of the finance committee.

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Hepzibah church, Jeff Davis county, won the attendance banner at the county B. T. U. Convention held at Prentiss May 20.—Mrs. Kelly Smith, reporter.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES

The report of our boards and institutions, state and Southwide, show a year of growth and progress in spite of difficulties. We are especially grateful for the united and hearty co-operation of all our agencies and people in promoting the Centennial Crusade. Our greatest thanks is to Dr. M. E. Dodd and all associated with him in the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade.

The work of promotion and publicity has been conducted as heretofore. There have been more issues of The Baptist Program with larger circulation, more promotional tracts, booklets, posters and articles than ever before. The Bulletin Service now has a circulation of more than a million copies a month. Special attention should be called to the Centennial Crusade Handbook.

The screen film, "The Romance of a Century," written by the promotion director, adapted to the screen by John McGee, produced by the Filmcraft Co., of New York, and financed by the Sunday School Board, will be ready for its premier showing July 1. It gives the highlights of Southern Baptist history.

At the suggestion of Louie D. Newton, chairman of the Centennial Committee, the Executive Committee was called in special session in Nashville, Tenn., February 6-7. After thorough consideration of the present war situation and in the light of the ban placed by the government on meetings of more than fifty people being held now, it was unanimously agreed that the Centennial Convention, scheduled to meet in Atlanta May 8-13, be deferred until such time as not to hinder the war effort.

By the instruction of the Convention at its last session, the Ridgecrest property was duly transferred from the Executive Committee to the Sunday School Board.

The receipts of the committee for the past year were \$4,277,492. Of this amount \$2,797,166 came through the Co-operative Program, the rest through designations. This was distributed to the various agencies as it came in each week.

TRAINING SCHOOL GRADUATES IN DEMAND

Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn
Principal, Louisville

The Training School has this year the largest enrollment since the first World War and its postwar years. Likewise, there is the greatest demand for trained workers that has ever been made upon the school. It is utterly impossible to find available workers to fill the present openings in all fields of Christian service. World needs are staggering; opportunities for missions are beyond our human comprehension. With the close of the war, rehabilitation and reopening of our pre-war work alone will call for dozens of capable, well-trained young women with a sacrificial attitude toward life to join our experience missionaries. New work in new fields and new types of work in old fields will need dozens more. Recruiting and guidance in basic education are prerequisite to our program of training.

In view of the abnormal situation that has filled our building in the fourth year of its use, our Board of Trustees has not given any consideration to the enlargement of our physical plant, but we are constantly studying our entire training program with the idea of developing it according to the trends and needs of the times. One postwar project is the establishing of a Good Will Center in an area accessible to our students. This will serve as a demonstration center and a training program for Good Will Center workers in home and foreign fields and for leaders in any and all types of group work. Initiating this new work when times permit it and expanding our curriculum and training facilities as needs and trends may indicate will call for a constantly enlarging budget.

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Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for June 3
BETWEEN THE TESTAMENTS
Malachi; Matthew 2; Luke 1-2;
Galatians 4:4-5

Introduction.

The period "between the Testaments" is an important period. The time between the writing of the last book in the Old Testament and the first book in the New was about four hundred years. During these years no God-inspired writings were produced, but the political and cultural changes in the world were of tremendous importance. All the known world had been conquered by the surpassing military genius of Alexander. His conquests brought the greatest intellectual change the world had ever known. Greek language, literature, culture and customs spread over the world, and gave to all literate people one language and literature. Millions of common people the world over spoke and wrote Greek. The Greek of the common people was not the Greek of the cultured, but it was the Greek in which the New Testament was written. We are not to forget, ever, that the Word of God in both Testaments was given primarily to the common people.

Among other important events of this "between the Testaments" period was the translation of the Old Testament into Greek. Thus was put into the hands of all people who could read an understandable translation of the Old Testament. During the same time there grew up an important institution, the synagogue. There worship on the sabbaths was conducted, the Word of God was read, and sermons were preached.

There were a number of sects in Judaism at the end of this period: the Essenes, the forerunners of the monks, distinguished by their profession of poverty and chastity; the zealots, fanatical patriots, who believed in open opposition to the conquerors of their country; the Herodians, who believed that in the family of the Herods was the brightest hope of the Hebrew people; and that it behooved their people to pin their hopes of grandeur and national independence to the fortunes of the Herodian family; the Pharisees, who were the legalists, the people who professed to keep the law, and to eschew evil everywhere, a strict sect in their rules of living; and there were the Sadducees, practical materialists, disbelieving in a spirit world, disbelieving in life after death or in angels.

I. Malachi. Man and Message.

The last of the Old Testament prophets. He prophesied after the return of the Hebrew people from the Babylonian exile. During this exile, the last vestige of polytheism was purged out of these people. After this there was no question of the primacy of this god or that. To the Jew since then there ever has been, one God.

The message of the one God spoken through Malachi was "Behold, I send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me." Four hundred years after Malachi, came John the Baptist, saying, "I am the messenger sent by God to prepare the way for the coming of the Lord." Yet another word the Lord spoke through Malachi,

DR. JOHNSON REPORTS ON SCHOOLS' PROGRESS

Charles D. Johnson,
Chairman, Waco

In this digest of the seventeenth annual report of the Education Commission it is most heartening to report that every type of school in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention has received financial assistance during the year, far greater than in any previous year. The largest gifts that have come to our schools have come to Mercer University, \$1,309,171. The total to colleges and universities amounted to \$3,604,285.24.

Of the twenty-seven senior colleges, nineteen are engaged now in campaigning. "The Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His temple."

A very significant word is then sent through Malachi. The character of the work of the coming king is set forth in Malachi 3:3, "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and He will purify the sons of Levi, and refine them as gold and silver."

II. The Christmas Story. Matthew 1; Luke 1, 2.

At the Christmas season, we tell the story that never grows old. We shall devote our attention in this study to one incident connected with the great event.

The Message of the Angel to the Shepherds. Luke 2:10-14.

1. His opening words, "Fear not." This is the distinguishing characteristic of our holy religion. It is not a religion of slavish fear, but one of filial love.

2. The characteristic Christian attitude. Great joy in consequence of good tidings. "I bring you good tidings of great joy."

3. Content of the good tidings. "Unto you is born a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." (a) He is a brother. "Born." He entered life through the gateway of birth, just as we did, so is bone of ours and flesh of ours. (b) "A Savior." One to rescue the lost and restore the broken, to seek and to save, rescue, deliver, that which was lost. (c) "The Lord." The King has come to His inheritance, the Master to His house.

4. The sweep of the work of the Savior. "Shall be to all people" (v. 10).

All people that on earth do dwell. "Glory to God in the highest." His influence sweeps the courts of heaven where God the Creator forever reigns.

5. Effect of His coming as to the earth. "On earth peace among men in whom He is well pleased." His coming brings peace to all men who are of good will to receive Him as Savior and Lord.

III. A Song of Deliverance. Galatians 4:4, 5.

1. Moment. "When the fullness of time came." When all things were ready in the plan of God.

2. Method. "God sent forth His Son." God drew men to Him by drawing Himself to them. He did this in sending His Son, His Son, Who who been from eternity with Him. He did not originate a Son, but sent the son who already was with Him from His presence into the world.

3. Mystery. "Born of woman, born under law." I do not understand that, but I know it. The mystery of the incarnation is a glorious fact.

4. Mission. "That He might redeem them who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons." Blessed be God, He came for you and me, and gave Himself in our behalf.

Southern Seminary In Best Financial Condition

Ellis A. Fuller, President

In the providence of God, we reached the largest enrollment this year that the Seminary has ever had: 654 ministerial students; 129 Training School girls; 20 from School of Church Music; 105 students' wives and day students; grand total, 908.

Through an annuity gift of Mrs. George Neel and Mrs. Ben S. Clarkson, Louisville, the Seminary now holds the deed to the beautiful property adjacent to the property given by V. V. Cooke last year. The Seminary was remembered in the will of Mrs. Geo. W. Bottoms for an undetermined amount. Other outstanding gifts during the year include \$50,000 in government bonds for endowment, and \$15,000 to be used according to best judgment.

Perhaps the Seminary has never been in better financial condition. With all debts paid and with increased income from the Co-operative Program, it has been possible to begin to build the reserve fund. There is a comfortable balance in each of the student aid loan funds.

The first year of our School of Music has been quite satisfactory. We enrolled twenty students. Next year we will not be able to add more than twenty-five others.

We rejoice in the prospect of having a few additional buildings on the campus to meet some very definite and urgent needs. We have only four major classrooms. After dividing our classes and then dividing them a sec-

paigned for funds for endowment, mostly, and for buildings, Wake Forest College, North Carolina, leads in this matter with an objective of \$7,500,000. The present endowment of these 27 colleges is \$24,398,736, and the property value is \$30,784,869, a total of \$55,185,606.

The seminaries received from the Co-operative Program last year as follows: Baptist Bible Institute, \$114,838; Southern Seminary, \$132,187; Southwestern Seminary, \$134,830. Present endowment: Baptist Bible Institute, \$456; Southern Seminary, \$2,104,138; Southwestern Seminary, \$1,750,000.

In addition to the support of the seminaries and senior colleges, \$636,862 went to the junior colleges during the year. Nine junior colleges are now engaged in campaigns for buildings or endowment.

The seminaries have the largest enrollment in their history as follows: Southern, 654; Southwestern, 1,075, including 289 summer students; B. B. I., 276; W. M. U. Training School, 234.

In addition to 1,483 ministerial students in our seminaries, there are 817 ministerial students in our senior colleges; 252 in junior colleges; total, 2,570 ministerial students. Baylor leads with 197; Howard Payne, 118; Ouachita, 104; O. B. U., 95.

Baptist Papers Improving Quality

Porter Routh

Oklahoma City, President, Southern Baptist Press Association

Southern Baptist papers have crowned the first century of progress with a circulation of more than 500,000 and with the papers dedicated to the causes of evangelism, enlistment, education, rehabilitation, stewardship and benevolence.

Since the circulation of Southern Baptist papers has increased to the point where it now reaches a much larger percentage of Baptist homes, editors have addressed themselves to improving the quality of their publications. What does it profit an editor or a church if the paper goes to every home but is not read? It is the purpose of Southern Baptist editors to make the papers more readable.

Southern Baptist editors join in one voice in pledging their best to promote the cause of Christ at home and around the world.

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London—(By Wireless to RNS)—The Rev. Henry Wheeler Robinson, Baptist scholar and theologian, and principal emeritus of Regent Park College, died here. Former reader in Biblical Criticism at Oxford University, Dr. Robinson was the first Free Churchman to be chairman of the University's Board of Theology.

Darlove: We have had good attendance in our Sunday school and Training Union for the past two Sundays. The W. M. S. gave an inspiring program on May 20 showing the work of the Deer Creek Association. Our pastor is Rev. R. A. Langley.—Mrs. W. C. Sheffield, reporter.

ond time, they are still too large. We are suffering tribly for lack of housing facilities upon the campus for our entire student body.

It is our conviction that the center of culture and education will be shifted from Europe to America after the war. If this conviction is well grounded, our Seminary will have many added responsibilities. We will have greater opportunity to serve all nations of the world.

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EPOCHAL SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTIONS

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1866, at Russellville, Kentucky, faced the wreckage of civil conflict. What could be the attitude of impoverished Baptists toward foreign missions? Hear this courageous challenge in the report of the Foreign Mission Board and the response by that Convention:

"Resolved, That in view of the Divine care of our missionaries during the last four years of frightful war, we are under renewed obligations to cherish an humble, grateful spirit, and to prosecute our work with renewed diligence.

"Resolved, That in the prosecution of our foreign missionary enterprise, the Board regards itself as called upon, not only to sustain the missionaries already in the field, but to reinforce our different missions at the earliest practicable period."

In response to that challenge the Convention voted: "We can discern but one command; we realize but one trust; we are burdened with but one duty; we feel but one desire; in this work—Go Forward, Though God we will obey. His power will open the way whilst our feet are laved by the unparted waters. Resolved, that our Board of Foreign Missions be instructed to preserve our missions now in operation so far as they may find it practicable in the providence of God, and prepare for such future extension of operations as may seem desirable ad possible."

1879.—Through the 70's there was considerable agitation in favor of uniting with Northern Baptists. The 1879 Convention adopted the following resolution which closed the issue: "Resolved, That five brethren be appointed by this Convention to bear to our Baptist brethren of the Northern states at their approaching anniversaries, expressions of our fraternal regard, and assurances, that while firmly holding to the wisdom and policy of preserving our separate organizations, we are ready, as in the past, to cooperate cordially with them in promoting the cause of Christ in our own and foreign lands." The brethren who attended that Convention were of the opinion that the foreign mission work of Southern Baptists was the greatest unifying force in the Convention.

W. M. U. Organized

1888.—The 1888 Convention which was held in Richmond, was attended by a group of Baptist women representing ten states, who voted for the organization of the "Executive Committee of Woman's Mission Societies, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention." At the meeting of the women two years later, the name was changed to "Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention." That name has remained unchanged through the years. We may note in passing that women were not admitted to the Southern Baptist Convention as messengers until 1918.

Sunday School Board Organized

1891.—The Sunday School Board was created at the Birmingham Convention in 1891. The question had been precipitated at the meeting of the Ft. Worth Convention the previous year, and everybody went to Birmingham expecting a hot fight. Dr. J. M. Frost and Dr. J. B. Gambrell, representing opposing views, spent a whole day together in Dr. Frost's room in a Bir-

mingham hotel. When they brought their report to the Convention, the presiding officer declared that discussion was in order. Dr. John A. Broadus stepped to the front and, every word throbbing with emotion, made a brief appeal for peace. Without another word being spoken, the great convention came to a vote to establish the Sunday School Board.

1906.—In Chattanooga at the 1906 Convention, the proposal to adopt an aggressive evangelistic program was opposed by a number of prominent brethren. Dr. B. H. Carroll of Texas made a memorable address on evangelism which swept aside all objections. The Convention approved the Home Board's policy of promoting evangelism and thus stimulated greatly increased interest in evangelism throughout the South. That address, which was widely distributed in tract form, was one of the greatest deliverances on evangelism ever heard in any convention.

1912.—At the 1912 Convention in Oklahoma City, the Judson Centennial Campaign was launched to provide a fund of \$1,250,000 to be used for equipment for our missions abroad; for churches, missionary homes, school buildings, hospital equipment, etc. The equipment thus provided afforded great relief. This gave Southern Baptists a new understanding and appreciation of world missions. They began to think and plan in larger terms.

Women Admitted

1918.—At the Hot Springs Convention in 1918 women were admitted as messengers to the Convention. The Relief and Annuity Board was created, and the Convention received the first report of the Baptist Bible Institute with the announcement that the first session at B. B. I. would open the following September. The 1924 Convention accepted ownership and control of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and of Baptist Bible Institute.

1919.—At the 1919 Convention held in Atlanta the 75 Million Campaign was projected with \$75,000,000 as the goal. While this goal was not reached, more than \$58,000,000 was received, resulting in the enlargement of all our boards and institutions. The largest number of foreign missionaries ever appointed at any one time were sent out in four successive years following that Convention—44 in June, 1920; 47 in June, 1921; 48 in May, 1922, and 46 in June, 1923.

1933.—When the Convention met in Washington City in 1933, state and south-wide institutions and boards were in the grip of devastating debts. At this Convention the 100 Thousand Club was adopted, so named because the objective was the enlistment of 100,000 Baptists who would agree, each, to give one dollar a month until the debts of the Southern Baptist Convention's boards and institutions were paid. Ten years later at the close of 1943, the announcement was made by Dr. J. E. Dillard that all Convention indebtedness had been paid. Southern Baptists were liberated for an enlarged program demanded by world conditions following the most tragic global conflict in history. The next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention will doubtless be an epochal session. We face unprecedented world needs and we believe that Southern Baptists will meet such needs with unflinching faith and courageous resolution.—From Baptist Review.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

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schools with an approximate enrollment of 4,000. In 1944 they reported 24,626 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 3,380,630, a gain of 24,158 schools, with an increase in enrollment of 3,376,630. In the five-year period preceding the war, 1937-1941, there was an enrollment gain of 366,395, and a gain of 1,771 schools, which averaged approximately one new Sunday school a day for five years.

In the face of all difficulties, there has been an increase in enrollment the past year of 47,652, and 173,116 study course awards, an increase of 21,950. The facts about the Training Union are equally encouraging—252,864 study course awards were granted, an increase of 23,629. The Vacation Bible school reports 7,484 schools with an enrollment of 685,947, with 16,434 conversions reported and 6,177 additions to the churches. All the other lines of work report substantial progress.

The total number of periodicals circulated in 1944 was 24,099,687, an increase over 1943 of 1,644,924.

The Board's receipts for 1944 from all sources were \$4,157,884.14, an increase of \$324,095.70 over the previous year. The total amount expended by the Board in denominational appropriations was \$656,618.25, an increase of \$24,893.

The Board now has 24 book stores, all owned outright by the Board except the ones in Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, Texas, which are owned jointly by the Board and the state boards.

On account of the present war

HOME MISSION BOARDS ADDS 153 MISSIONARIES

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the armed camps and in Cuba, Panama and Costa Rica.

The Southern Baptist Convention at Atlanta charged the Home Mission Board with the responsibility of directing the Evangelistic Centennial Crusade. The Board secured the services of M. E. Dodd, Shreveport, La.

During the year the Board has secured the service of Fred C. Eastham as superintendent of evangelism. The Board has also inaugurated a radio program of which Dr. Eastham will be in charge.

The Bottoms Trust Fund, of which Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Bottoms, now deceased, were founders, has yielded since it was established in 1929, \$469,000 of income to the Board, an average of more than \$30,000 per year and it will continue throughout the years.

The Annie Armstrong Offering for this year has amounted to \$387,038.

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MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

June 4—Frisby Marble, Mississippi College Trustee.

June 5—Mrs. Iris Ritches Carpenter, Blue Mountain College Trustee.

June 6—Prof. C. H. Lipsey, Woman's College Trustee.

June 7—Mrs. C. E. Freeman, Association W. M. U. Superintendent, District 7.

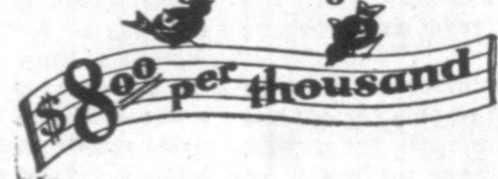
June 8—G. W. Covington, Baptist Hospital.

June 9—Harry Smallwood, Baptist Orphanage Trustee.

June 10—Rev. L. D. Sellers, Carroll County Convention Board Member.

emergency, the assembly at Ridgecrest, except the Boys' Camp, has been called off for this summer.

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